

## **State Senator** JOANNE G. EMMONS R-23rd Senate District

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**Committees:** Finance (Chair); Reapportionment; Legislative Council

Biography: Republican, of Big Rapids; born February 8, 1934, to Ray and Emma Gregory at Big Rapids; married John F. Emmons, June 9, 1956; daughters: Sarah and Dorothy; valedictorian, Mecosta High School, 1952; highest honors from Michigan State University, B.S., home economics, 1956; home economics teacher at Mecosta High School, 1956-1958; Treasurer, Big Rapids Township, 1976-1986; Chair, Mecosta County Republican Party, 1976-1980; 10th District Republican Executive Committee, 1980-1984; 10th District Republican Vice Chair, 1984-1986; Big Rapids Industrial Development Corporation, 1978-1986; Michigan Township Association Board of Directors,

Cold-Chippe-Gilmore Vernon Green Grant Fork water BIG RAPIDS Sheri-Sher-Isabella Denver Colfax Martiny Nottawa Big Rapic man **PLEASANT** MT. Mecosta Wheat-Broom-Deer-Austin Morton field field land Mill-Deer-Aetna Hinton Rolland Fremont Lincoln field brook Rey-Belvi-Winfield Cato Richnolds Home dere land <del>.M</del> Ferris Day Maple Doug-Piersor Valley STANTON lass Mont-Ever-Sidney Crystal calm areen GREENVILLE Fairplain Bushnell Fureka North BELDING Plains Otisco Orleans Ronald Ionia Keene Lyons ĨŎNIA Berlin Orange Portland Boston PORTLAND ONIA Odessa Sebewa Camp-Danby heli Wood-Thorn-Carlton Irvina land apple HASTINGS Yanke Castle-Rutland Springs Hasting: ton Balti-Maple Orange Hope more Grove

1981-1986; Michigan Municipal Treasurer's Association Board, 1985-1986; Secretary, Central Michigan Mental Health Board, 1970-1976; West Michigan Health Systems Mental Health Planning Commission, 1979-1986; Area Agency on Aging Advisory Board, 1981-1986; West Michigan Health Systems Area-Wide Review Commission, 1985-1986; member, St. Peter's Lutheran Church; Mecosta County Farm Bureau; Pleasant View Farm Bureau Discussion Group; Mecosta County Right to Life; member, Michigan Association of Exten-

sion Home-makers; Omicron Nu honor society; Lutheran Child and Family Services Board of Directors, 1990-1994; elected to the House of Representatives, 1986 and 1988; elected to the State Senate, 1990, 1994, and 1998; Senate Majority Floor Leader, 2001.

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